Company Tracking #: LG-2015-05

State: Rhode Island Filing Company: Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island

TOI/Sub-TOI: H15G Group Health - Hospital/Surgical/Medical Expense/H15G.002 Large Group Only

Product Name: Commercial Large Group **Project Name/Number:** Large Group/LG-2013-05

Filing at a Glance

Company: Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island

Product Name: Commercial Large Group

State: Rhode Island

TOI: H15G Group Health - Hospital/Surgical/Medical Expense

Sub-TOI: H15G.002 Large Group Only

Filing Type: Rate

Date Submitted: 05/15/2013

SERFF Tr Num: BCBS-129031444

SERFF Status: Assigned

State Tr Num:

State Status: Open-Pending Actuary Review

Co Tr Num: LG-2015-05

Implementation 01/01/2014

Date Requested:

Author(s): Catherine Mitchell, Tim Latier, Sean Neylon

Reviewer(s): Patrick Tigue (primary), Charles DeWeese, Herbert Olson, Maria Casale, Bela Gorman

Disposition Date:
Disposition Status:
Implementation Date:

SERFF Tracking #: BCBS-129031444 State Tracking #: Company Tracking #: LG-2015-05

State: Rhode Island Filing Company: Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island

TOI/Sub-TOI: H15G Group Health - Hospital/Surgical/Medical Expense/H15G.002 Large Group Only

Product Name: Commercial Large Group **Project Name/Number:** Large Group/LG-2013-05

General Information

Project Name: Large Group Status of Filing in Domicile: Pending

Project Number: LG-2013-05 Date Approved in Domicile: Requested Filing Mode: Review & Approval Domicile Status Comments:

Explanation for Combination/Other: Market Type: Group

Submission Type: New Submission Group Market Size: Large Group Market Type: Employer, Blanket Overall Rate Impact: 17.1%

Filing Status Changed: 05/15/2013

State Status Changed: 05/15/2013 Deemer Date:

Created By: Tim Latier Submitted By: Tim Latier

Corresponding Filing Tracking Number:

PPACA: Non-Grandfathered Immed Mkt Reforms

PPACA Notes: null

Include Exchange Intentions:

Filing Description:

Rate Factor Filing for 2014 Large Group Health Renewals

Company and Contact

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Providence, RI 02903

Filing Company Information

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode CoCode: 53473 State of Domicile: Rhode

Island Group Code: Island

500 Exchange Street Group Name: Company Type: Health

Providence, RI 02903 FEIN Number: 05-0158952 Insurance

(401) 459-1000 ext. [Phone] State ID Number:

Filing Fees

Fee Required? Yes

Fee Amount: \$125.00

Retaliatory? No

Fee Explanation: \$25 times 5 products

Per Company: Yes

CompanyAmountDate ProcessedTransaction #Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island\$125.0005/15/201370317342

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Product Name:Commercial Large GroupProject Name/Number:Large Group/LG-2013-05

Rate Information

Rate data applies to filing.

Filing Method: Review & Approve

Rate Change Type: Increase

Overall Percentage of Last Rate Revision: 6.300%

Effective Date of Last Rate Revision: 01/01/2013

Filing Method of Last Filing: Review & Approve

Company Rate Information

Company Name:	Company Rate Change:	Overall % Indicated Change:	F	Overall Rate Impact:		Cha	ten nium nge for Program:	# of Police Holders / for this P	Affected		um for	Maximum ⁹ Change (where req	Minimum %Changed): (where req'd):
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Produ	ıct Type:	НМО	PPO		EPO		POS	HSA	HDH	Р	FFS	Other	
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 Company Tracking #: LG-2015-05

State: Rhode Island Filing Company: Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island

TOI/Sub-TOI: H15G Group Health - Hospital/Surgical/Medical Expense/H15G.002 Large Group Only

Product Name: Commercial Large Group **Project Name/Number:** Large Group/LG-2013-05

Rate Review Detail

COMPANY:

Company Name: Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island

HHS Issuer Id: 15287

Product Names: HealthMate Coast to Coast

HealthMate Coast to Coast HDHP HealthMate Coinsurance Option

HealthMate for HSA HealthMate for HRA BlueSolutions for HSA BlueSolutions for HRA

Classic

VantageBlue Coinsurance

BlueChip

Trend Factors: Baseline trend increase of 8.6%; net of new PBM contract @ 1/1/2013

and demographics, effective trend is 6.9%

FORMS:

New Policy Forms: Front Grp (1-14), Summary Grp (1-14), Introduction Grp (1-14),

Eligibility Grp (1-14), Covered GRP (1-14), Exclusions Grp (1-14), Appeal Grp (1-14), Glossary Grp (1-14), and Payment Grp (1-14)

Affected Forms:

Other Affected Forms:

REQUESTED RATE CHANGE INFORMATION:

Change Period: Annual
Member Months: 1,381,620
Benefit Change: None

Percent Change Requested: Min: 13.1 Max: 21.1 Avg: 17.1

PRIOR RATE:

Total Earned Premium: 575,930,000.00
Total Incurred Claims: 499,474,000.00

Annual \$: Min: 400.00 Max: 434.00 Avg: 417.00

REQUESTED RATE:

Projected Earned Premium: 674,285,000.00
Projected Incurred Claims: 540,431,000.00

Annual \$: Min: 471.00 Max: 505.00 Avg: 488.00

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State: Rhode Island Filing Company:

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Rate/Rule Schedule

SERFF Tracking #: BCBS-129031444 State Tracking #: Company Tracking #: LG-2015-05

Product Name: Commercial Large Group Large Group/LG-2013-05 Project Name/Number:

State:	Rhode Island	Filing Company:	Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island
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Item No.	Schedule Item Status	Document Name	Affected Form Numbers (Separated with commas)	Rate Action	Rate Action Information	Attachments
1		2014 Large Group Rate Factor - Cover Memo	Front Grp (1-14), Summary Grp (1-14), Introduction Grp (1- 14), Eligibility Grp (1-14), Covered GRP (1-14), Exclusions Grp (1-14), Appeal Grp (1-14), Glossary Grp (1- 14), and Payment Grp (1-14)	Revised	Previous State Filing Number: Percent Rate Change Request: 17.1	2014 Large Group Filing Cover Memo submitted 2013-05-15 FINAL.pdf,
2		2014 Large Group Rate Factor - Actuarial Memo		Other	Previous State Filing Number: Rate Action Other Explanation:	2014 Large Group Actuarial Memo submitted 2013-05-15 FINAL.pdf,
3		2014 Large Group Rate Factor - "Standard & Poor's Ratings Direct" report		Other	Previous State Filing Number: Rate Action Other Explanation:	2013_ResearchUpdate BlueCrossBlueShieldof RhodelslandOutlookRe visedToStableFromPos itive.PDF,
4		2014 Large Group Rate Factor -2013 Rate Review Process RI Annual Health Statement Supplement		Other	Previous State Filing Number: Rate Action Other Explanation:	2013 Rate Review Process RI Annual Health Statement Supplement FINAL.pdf,
5		2014 Large Group Rate Factor -Rhode Island Individual, Small and Large Group Rate Filing Template Part I		Other	Previous State Filing Number: Rate Action Other Explanation:	Rhode Island Individual, Small and Large Group Rate Filing Template Part I FINAL.pdf,

State:	Rhode Island	Filing Company:	Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Islan	nd
TOI/Sub-TOI:	H15G Group Health - Hospital/Surgical/Medical	Expense/H15G.002 Large Group Only		
Product Name:	Commercial Large Group			
Project Name/Number:	Large Group/LG-2013-05			
3	2014 Large Group Rate Factor	Other	Previous State Filing Number:	Rhode Island
5	2014 Large Group Rate Factor - Rate Template Part IV:	Other	Previous State Filing Number:	Rhode Island Individual, Small and
3		Other	Previous State Filing Number: Rate Action Other Explanation:	

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May 15, 2013

Mr. Christopher F. Koller Health Insurance Commissioner Office of Health Insurance Commissioner 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Bldg. 69-1 Cranston, Rhode Island 02920

Subject: Rate Factors Applicable to Large Group Business Written or Renewed in 2014

Dear Commissioner Koller:

This letter and the attached documents comprise a rate factor filing by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island ("BCBSRI") and related rating information to be used in commercial rating of large employer groups.

As you know, premium is driven primarily by medical expenses paid on behalf of our members. This equates to roughly 80% of each premium dollar in the large group market. In fact, in 2012, 89% of each large group premium dollar was used to pay for medical services our members received. Medical expenses are driven by both utilization (frequency and volume) of services and the cost of those services.

Key Drivers for this Filing:

We have identified the following key factors driving our medical expenses:

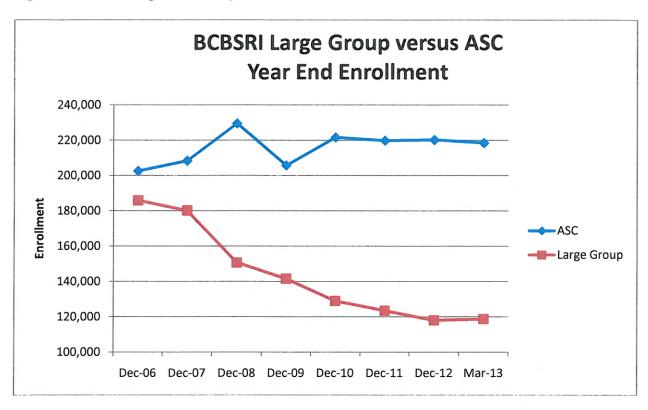
- Increases in inpatient costs per admission of 0.8%.
- Increases in outpatient costs associated with injections and chemotherapy; including a 21% increase in price along with a 5% reduction in utilization.
- Increases in outpatient surgery cost of approximately 9% from 2011 to 2012.
- Increases in specialty pharmacy drug costs of 17% coupled with a utilization increase of 6%.
- Increases in the state child immunization assessment of 0.6%.

As a result of these increased medical expenses, among other factors discussed further in this letter, this filing reflects an overall average rate increase of 17.1% excluding the cost of benefit changes. As you know, the actual increase experienced by a group and its employees will vary based upon the group's own claims experience and demographics as well as the plan selected.

Impact of the ACA:

In addition to medical expense increases discussed above, there are significant premium increases driven by the Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act ("ACA"). Excluding all ACA taxes and fees, the average increase would be 12.5%. The Health Insurer Tax, Transitional Reinsurance Fee, and the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Trust Fund Fee combine to add about \$20 PMPM - nearly 4% of total premiums for large group. Since self funding employers will be exempt from the new Health Insurer tax and also escape existing state taxes and

assessments, we expect the ongoing erosion of fully insured enrollment in the Large Group market to continue and even accelerate. The following chart illustrates this erosion we have experienced over the past several years:



Financial Stability:

After four years of underwriting losses, BCBSRI ranks second to last among Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans nationwide in financial strength as measured by Risk Based Capital ("RBC"). Continued underwriting losses cannot be sustained. BCBSRI strongly believes these reserve levels are below an acceptable range given the current regulatory environment and uncertainty of risk associated with the ACA. As of March 31, 2013, our reserve level was 18.1% of premium. We have taken steps to strengthen our reserve position by selling some bonds which have a market value exceeding their statutory carrying values. This is a one-time, largely cosmetic step and does not obviate the need for improved financial results. We are still significantly below the recommended minimum reserve level of 23% of premium, cited in the Lewin Study for OHIC in August 2006. This study was done long before the establishment of the ACA and would likely result in a higher recommendation if updated today. In addition to the usual risks attendant to the health insurance business, the ACA poses significant new uncertainties because it profoundly changes the way health insurance products are designed, priced and sold. By way of example, recent reports provided to CareFirst BCBS by Milliman and Lewin advise CareFirst on its reserve requirements. Both are in agreement that the ACA should increase a carrier's target RBC levels.1

¹ See http://disb.dc.gov/node/311272, and http://actuary.org/content/analysis-aca-related-potential-risks-health-rbc.

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On April 26, 2013 Standard & Poor's Ratings Services downgraded its outlook on BCBSRI from positive to stable, citing our worse than expected 2012 performance (\$45 million loss) and our 2013 break-even projection. The report states "...inadequate premium rates due to continued regulatory pressure in the state" as the rationale for the downgraded outlook. S & P also downgraded our capital adequacy rating from AAA to BBB stating that the decline in our capital base has led to a deterioration of risk-based capital adequacy. See attached "Standard & Poor's Ratings Direct" report.

Addressing Affordability:

We recognize that providing affordable healthcare coverage is critical to our customers, members, and the Rhode Island economy. For these reasons, we have undertaken a number of initiatives designed to aggressively transform our business, improve internal operations, and moderate both medical and administrative expense trends. We continue to work collaboratively with our healthcare delivery system partners to develop and implement new approaches that pay for quality, not quantity, of care. These ongoing and important efforts have proven to be successful and are expected to continue for the coming years. Some of the measurable outcomes include:

- We are committed to reducing operating expenses to achieve a total corporate administrative expense ratio of 12% of premium by 2014;
- Professional Services costs have decreased by 2.7% due to innovative provider contracting arrangements and the establishment of an enhanced radiology management program; and
- A new pharmacy benefit management contract with Catamaran will mitigate pharmacy expenses in 2013 and beyond. The projected savings resulting from this contract is about \$65 million over three years for group insured business, and reduces the average annual premium increase for employers by roughly 0.5% in 2014.

Policy forms applicable to large group are being submitted concurrently with this filing. Attachment A to this letter lists the form numbers associated with this filing.

We respectfully ask for your timely consideration and approval of the proposed rates as submitted. We believe that the proposed rates are in the best interest of both the public and the corporation and consistent with the proper conduct of our business. As always, we are available and prepared to respond to any questions you, your staff, or your consulting actuaries may have.

Sincerely,

Michael Hudson, FSA, MBA

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Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

Attachment A

Policy forms pertaining to this filing are as follows:
Front Grp (1-14);
Summary Grp (1-14);
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ACTUARIAL MEMORANDUM FOR LARGE GROUP COMMERICAL RATE FILING

Experience Period Premium and Claims

Experience Period:

The incurred dates for the experience period are February 1, 2012 through January 31, 2013. The date through which payments have been made on claims incurred during the experience period is March 31, 2013.

Premiums (net of MLR Rebate) in Experience Period:

The earned premium prior to MLR rebates for the experience period is \$569,056,610. For Large group, earned premium prior to MLR rebates is calculated as the sum of contracts times rates. Contracts and rates are categorized by plan and individual versus family. Rates and number of contracts are then multiplied for each cohort. The premium for each cohort is then summed to produce total quarterly and annual earned premium.

The amount of MLR rebates refunded for the market during the experience period is \$0.

Allowed and Incurred Claims Incurred During the Experience Period:

The amount of incurred claims processed through our claims system for the experience period is \$473,169,582. The amount of incurred claims processed outside of our claims system is \$16,263,582. Our best estimate of claims incurred but not paid as of the paid through date of March 31, 2013 is \$8,196,726.

The amount of allowed claims processed through our claims system for the experience period is \$564,771,353. The amount of allowed claims processed outside of our claims system is \$17,655,732. Our best estimate of allowed claims incurred but not paid as of the paid through date of stated above is \$9,716,006.

Allowed claims are developed by combining the paid amount, coinsurance, co-pay and deductible.

The methodology used to estimate claims incurred but not paid for both incurred and allowed claims in the experience period is the same. Incurred claims are used to calculate incurred completion factors. Claims triangles are used to develop lag tables. The triangles are separated into four categories: Inpatient, Outpatient, Surgical/Medical and Drugs. Three and six month averages are used to calculate completion factors. The claims used to develop completion factors are based on an experience over the last three years.

Benefit Categories

Inpatient services are those received during a patient's hospital stay and these claims fall into the Inpatient Hospital category. Outpatient services are those that a member receives without being admitted to a hospital (e.g., X-rays, lab tests, and some surgical procedures) and these claims fall into the Outpatient Hospital category. Primary care claims are routine healthcare services, including preventive care. Other Medical/Surgical category represents all other claims for professional services that are not primary care. All retail/mail order pharmacy claims are in the Prescription Drug category. The benefit category "Other" represents state assessments, which covers adult immunizations, child immunizations and a children's health account (used to fund various programs for children.)

Projection Factors

Utilization Trends

Utilization projection factors were developed to project base period expenses to the rating period for expected changes in the number of services utilized by covered members and changes in the types of services used, or mix. Utilization/mix trend factors were developed separately for inpatient, outpatient, professional, and pharmacy services. The utilization / mix trend analysis used allowed claims PMPM for outpatient, professional, and pharmacy lines of business. For inpatient services, admissions per 1,000 members were analyzed to develop the projected utilization trend. A trend for inpatient case mix was developed separately.

The utilization / mix trend analysis used allowed claims PMPM that were normalized for changes in claims costs that were due to influences other than utilization or mix. The data for outpatient and professional services were depriced to a common price level, namely December 2009. The trend data for all types of services were also normalized for the utilization effects due to cost sharing provisions of the benefit plans inherent in the data. This adjustment was made to remove the distortion caused by a change in the mix of plans over time. The projected impact due to these factors was developed and applied separately in the rate development. The data used for the pharmacy trend was normalized to remove the impact of changes in contractual terms with our Pharmacy Benefit Managers. The pharmacy trend data was also normalized to remove the effect of anticipated new brand name drugs being introduced to the market, and the anticipated availability of new generic drugs as well as pricing changes of certain high impact drugs.

The data points used in this analysis were 12-month moving values, beginning with the period ending November 2010. Twenty-five data points, which equates to three years of experience, were analyzed. Trend lines were fit to a number of sets of data points utilizing the method of linear least squares, a statistical technique for quantifying trend levels. BCBSRI's standard procedure is to determine the line that best fit the data points using the most recent 13 or more data points, generally with a minimum R-squared

value of 0.70 to help assure reasonable fit to the data points. The principle of least squares states that the line of best fit to a series of observed values is the line where the sum of the squares of the deviations (the differences between the line and the actual values) are minimal, or the least possible.

Given that the underlying data is credible, the annual trend indicated by the least squares line producing the best fit under this procedure is then selected as the basis for the trend assumption, provided the result is actuarially acceptable. Adjustment or modification to this result, or substitution of an alternative assumption, may occur if the original result is not credible, reasonable, or appropriate in my actuarial judgment.

We reviewed the results of the regression analysis using all insured commercial data in addition to the analysis using only Large Group data. This was done to increase credibility and decrease volatility. For hospital inpatient, the best fit trend line for admissions per 1,000 members based on the Large Group experience data has an annual trend of 3.4% and the latest 12 month trend of 2.4%. The total commercial data produced a best fit line at 3.1% and a latest 12 month of 2.9%, it was decided to use a 3% trend for inpatient.

For hospital outpatient, the line with the best fit based on the Large Group depriced PMPM data has an indicated trend of 2.7%, while total commercial insured data produced a best fit of 4.0%. It was decided to use 4.0%

For the Large Group professional services depriced PMPM analysis, the regression line with the best fit indicated trend of 2.7% with the latest 12 month trend at 2.6%. For total commercial data, the best fit was 2.3% while the latest 12 month was 2.7%. We felt the appropriate trend to use was 2.5% for professional services.

For the Large Group pharmacy regression analysis, the regression line with the best fit indicated trend of 2.9%. Due to the large volume of drug claims and the high R square value, the trend of 2.9% for just the Large Group population was used.

Price/Unit Cost Trends

Price projection factors were developed for inpatient, outpatient, primary care services, and other professional services. These factors represent anticipated unit price increases during the 24 months from the experience period to the rating period. The price projection factors are based on actual unit cost increases, estimates of price increases based on negotiations, and any planned or estimated increases and adjustments to provider contracts. This information was provided by BCBSRI's provider contracting area. I have reviewed the information for reasonableness, but have not independently audited or otherwise verified the information provided.

Other Adjustments

An adjustment factor is also included for the prescription drug line of business to adjust for changes due to our contract with a new Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM), Catamaran effective January 1, 2013. An additional price reduction due to the new PBM contract is reflected in the adjustment factor effective January 1, 2014. The pharmacy adjustment factor also includes the anticipated impact of new generic drugs expected to enter the market during the rating period.

Non-Benefit Expenses and Profit & Risk

Administrative Expense Load

The expense budgets are created using current market segment allocation ratios and multiplying by the anticipated 2014 corporate budget. The corporate budget is based on projected expenses as determined by senior management. Adjustments are then made to reflect known changes, such as corporate project spend, enrollment shifts, etc.

Market segments can either be charged directly (e.g. 100% of expense is charged to segment) or through an allocation where the expense is benefiting more than one segment. Each area is allocated based on the function that is being performed (e.g. Claims area would allocate based on paid claims, Sales would allocate based on contracts, etc.). These ratios are used to then distribute area expenses to the market segment. Expenses exclude premium tax and expenses associated with the new core claim processing system.

The market segment expenses are divided by projected enrollment for the same time period. To populate the template the administrative expense pmpm is divided by the average premium pmpm in order to input as a percentage. This ensures we collect adequate expenses over the rating period.

Profit (or Contribution to Surplus) & Risk Margin

Premiums for 2014 Large Group renewals shown in this filing include a 3.00% contribution to corporate reserves. In addition, BCBSRI is including a 0.34% reserve contribution to fund the development and implementation of a new core claims processing system. Thus, the total reserve component for premiums in this filing is 3.34%. This reserve component is consistent with reserve factor that the OHIC approved for 2013 Large Group renewals.

Taxes and Fees

The State of Rhode Island levies taxes of 2% on fully insured premium, including Large Group. Beginning in 2014, as part of the ACA, new federal Health Insurer and Transitional Reinsurance Program fees will be imposed. The 2014 rate year premiums we will be quoting for other than January cases will include parts of both 2014 and 2015 calendar premiums. Health Insurer fees are scheduled to increase in 2015 by

approximately the same amount that the Transitional Reinsurance Programs fees are expected to decrease. Together we estimate that these fees amount to 3.0% of premium including an adjustment because the Health Insurer fees will not be an allowed deduction for federal income tax purposes. For 2014, Patient Centered Outcomes Research Trust fees will be levied at \$2 per covered life which translates into .04% of premium. For later years this amount will be indexed to health care cost inflation.

About 30% of 2014 premium revenues will arise from 2013 rate year business that did not include any assessment for these new federal fees. Therefore the charges we propose to build into our 2014 rates have been grossed up in order to recover the new federal fees attributable to this business. The net charging rate we propose to build into our 2014 rates amounts to 3.9% of premium.

Note that the NAIC is considering requiring carriers to recognize the Health Insurer fees they will pay in 2015 in their 2014 financial statements. The charges we are proposing in this filing do not attempt to recover the additional expense accruals that would result from such a decision. Requiring the full recognition of 2015 Health Insurer fees would result in a reserve strain of about \$32 million in 2014.

Reliance

In developing this rate filing I relied on information drawn from various areas within BCBSRI, including Provider Contracting, Legal, Strategic Marketing, Financial Forecasting and Budgets. Such information included projections of provider price increases, enrollment, and operating expenses. All this information was collected and conveyed to me in accordance with our established methods and reviewed for reasonableness by me. I consider this information to be reliable.

Actuarial Certification

I, John Lynch, am a member, in good standing, of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Academy qualification standards for rendering this opinion. The actuarial assumptions underlying this filing have been developed by my staff and reviewed by me. To the best of my knowledge and belief, this filing is in compliance with applicable laws and the benefits offered or proposed to be offered are reasonable in relation to the premium proposed to be charged.

John Lynn	5/15/2013
Signature of Actuary	Date

Attachments:

"Standard & Poor's Ratings Direct" report

2013 Rate Review Process RI Annual Health Statement Supplement

Rhode Island Individual, Small and Large Group Rate Filing Template Part I

Rate Template Part IV: Administrative Costs Request



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Research Update:

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island Inc. Outlook Revised To Stable From Positive; 'BBB-' Rating Affirmed

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Research Update:

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island Inc. Outlook Revised To Stable From Positive; 'BBB-' Rating Affirmed

Overview

- BCBSRI reported negative operating results in 2012, and will remain at the lower end of our expectations for capitalization and earnings in 2013.
- We are revising our outlook on the company to stable from positive and affirming our 'BBB-' financial strength and counterparty credit ratings.
- We no longer expect the company's credit quality to improve in line with a higher rating during the next 12-24 months.

Rating Action

On April 26, 2013, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services revised its outlook on Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rhode Island Inc. (BCBSRI) to stable from positive. At the same time, we affirmed our 'BBB-' long-term financial strength and counterparty credit ratings on the company.

Rationale

BCBSRI's operating performance was worse than we expected in 2012 and will likely be around break-even levels in 2013. For full-year 2012, BCBSRI reported a pretax loss (excluding realized gains and losses) of \$45 million, compared to a pretax gain of \$77 million in 2011. The deterioration in earnings in 2012 was driven by a combination of factors including higher-than-expected inpatient utilization and cost trends in its commercial business, increased claims trend in Medicare Advantage, and inadequate premium rates due to continued regulatory pressure in the state. In addition, the improvement in 2011 earnings was primarily a result of the release of the premium deficiency reserve. Somewhat offsetting these negative factors in 2012 was the company's continued focus on reducing administrative cost, which is evident in an improvement of its administrative expense ratio to 15% in 2012 from 15.7% in 2011.

BCBSRI has taken key steps to turn around its operating performance in 2013 and 2014, including changing its hospital contracts to reduce the heightened inpatient cost trends and continuing its focus on reducing administrative costs. Based on these improvements, we expect BCBSRI to report pretax return on revenue (ROR) of around 0%-1% in 2013 and 2014, which we view to be adequate for the current rating.

We have historically viewed capitalization as a clear strength to the rating. But negative retained earnings and reversal of deferred tax assets led to a decline in statutory capital to \$260 million as of year-end 2012 from \$323 million in 2011. This decline in the capital base led to a deterioration of risk-based capital adequacy--capital was redundant at the 'BBB' level as per our insurance risk-based capital model as of year-end 2012 compared to 'AAA' redundancy as of year-end 2011. (National Association of Insurance Commissioners risk-based capital also declined to 471% as of year-end 2012 from 610% as of year-end 2011.) We view the 'BBB' level of redundancy as supportive of the current rating. In 2013 and 2014, we expect retained earnings to turn positive, supporting a good capital adequacy level.

Despite the weakened financial risk profile, the current rating is supported by BCBSRI's good competitive position. The company has a leading market presence in the commercial insurance space in the state of Rhode Island. We expect the strong Blue brand and a state-wide provider network to continue to support this competitive position in the near term.

The rating remains constrained by BCBSRI's geographic concentration in a single state, which exposes the company to adverse legislative, regulatory, economic, and competitive challenges. We believe that the company faces tough regulatory conditions, especially from strict rate regulation. In 2008, Rhode Island changed its policy regarding insurers' proposed rate increases from a "file and use" approach to a "file and review" approach, which has hurt BCBSRI during the past few years.

Outlook

The outlook is stable based on our expectation that BCBSRI's earnings will stabilize at a pretax ROR of 0%-1% in 2013 and 2014, capital will remain redundant at least at the 'BBB' level as per our risk-based insurance capital model, and the company will maintain its leading market position in the state. We may lower the rating if the company is unable meet the aforementioned expectations. Conversely, a positive ratings movement, although unlikely in the near term, will be driven by improved capitalization (sustainable 'A' redundancy), stabilized operating performance (pretax ROR consistently around 1%), and the lack of any significantly adverse premium rate action by the regulator.

Related Criteria And Research

- Evaluating Insurers' Competitive Positions, April 22, 2009
- Analysis of Nonlife Insurance Operating Performance, April 22, 2009

Ratings List

Ratings Affirmed; Outlook Action

o From

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island Inc.

Counterparty Credit Rating

Local Currency BBB-/Stable/-- BBB-/Positive/--

Financial Strength Rating

Local Currency BBB-/Stable/-- BBB-/Positive/--

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		RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All
	Membership Data																		
	Number of Polices or Certificates	71,709	28,810	100,519	53,726	41,640	95,366			-	63,806	490	64,296			-	22,847	3,273	26,120
	Number of Covered Lives	140,966	55,804	196,770	131,106	89,001	220,107			-	63,806	490	64,296			-	22,847	3,273	26,120
' -	Member Months Number of Polices or Certificates (Plan	1,714,263 69,260	674,630 20,656	2,388,893 89,916	1,573,386 39,112	1,067,531 7,830	2,640,917 46,942			-	765,584 61,298	6,852 478	772,436 61,776			-	270,141 294	38,333 55	308,474 349
	Number of Covered Lives (Plans with	137,405	44,129	181.534	97,583	19,910	117.493			-	61,298	478	61,776			-	294	55	
-	Member Months (Plans with PD benef	1,671,108	534,111	2,205,219	1,168,645	238,164	1,406,809	1		-	734,288	6,668	740,956			-	3,487	663	4,150
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	Claims/Medical Expenses	607,561,173	228,543,679	836,104,852	604,521,100	321,177,511	925,698,610	1,746,906	-	1,746,906	340,614,326	3,754,606	344,368,932	12,161,754	-	12,161,754	39,898,520	5,980,610	45,879,130
	Inpatient Facility																		
	Hospital																		
	1 In-state	120,130,793	8,137,234	128,268,027	112,350,465	7,739,555				-	101,718,035	945,807	102,663,843			-	3,580,528	151,436	3,731,964
<u> </u>	2 Out-of-state	29,627,002	48,187,328	77,814,330	25,491,434	77,143,129	102,634,564			-	7,582,481	243,240	7,825,721			-	1,428,487	689,760	2,118,247
<u> </u>	Total (Lines 1 + 2)	149,757,795	56,324,562	206,082,357	137,841,899	84,882,684	222,724,584	-	-	-	109,300,516	1,189,048	110,489,564	-	-	-	5,009,015	841,195	5,850,211
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3	4 In-state 5 Out-of-state	2,271,159 47,933	113,322 516,752	2,384,481 564,685	2,369,521 64,707	113,717 719,086	2,483,238 783,792				27,658,325 148,248	608,904 11,642	28,267,229 159,890			- 1	4,095,901 159,534	120,288 473,389	4,216,188 632,923
 	6 Total (Lines 4 + 5)	2,319,092	630,074	2,949,166	2,434,228	832,802	3,267,030	_		-	27,806,573	620,546	28,427,119		-		4,255,434	593,677	4,849,111
H	Other	2,510,032	300,074	2,070,100	2, .37,220	332,002	5,207,000				2.,000,010	320,040	20,727,110				.,200,404	550,011	.,540,111
F	7 In-state	605	-	605	- 1	-	-	I		-	- 1	- 1	-			-	- 1	-	
	8 Out-of-state	605	-	605	-	-	-			-	-	-	-			-	-	-	-
	9 Total (Lines 7 + 8)	1,210	-	1,210	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
1	0 Total Inpatient Facility (Lines 3 + 6 + 9)	152,078,097	56,954,636	209,032,733	140,276,127	85,715,487	225,991,614	-	-	-	137,107,089	1,809,594	138,916,683	-	-	-	9,264,450	1,434,872	10,699,322
1	Outpatient Facility Hospital In-state	103,520,134	6,724,221	110,244,356	116,746,148	6,887,233	123,633,380			-	44,152,534	339,141	44,491,676			-	6,285,418	214,952	6,500,369
1	2 Out-of-state	26,421,813	50,617,186	77,038,998	23,422,914	84,620,135				-	3,019,458	67,818	3,087,275			-	1,089,056	835,447	1,924,503
1	3 Total (Lines 11 + 12)	129,941,947	57,341,407	187,283,354	140,169,062	91,507,367	231,676,429	- 1	-	-	47,171,992	406,959	47,578,951	-	-	-	7,374,473	1,050,399	8,424,872
1	SNF 4 In-state	3,260	_	3,260	28,835	1	28,835	T	Ī	ı	1,542,821	47,284	1,590,105			1	34,127	764	34,891
1	5 Out-of-state	3,200	346	3,260	20,033	6,200	6,200			-	1,342,621	- 47,204	1,590,103			-	3,344	10.503	13.847
1	6 Total (Lines 14 + 15)	3.260	346	3,606	28,835	6,200	35.035	-	-	-	1,544,594	47,284	1,591,878	-	-	-	37,471	11,266	48,737
	Freestanding Ambulatory Care Facility	-,		-,,	.,,,,,	-,	,				,- ,		7 7					, , , , ,	
1	7 In-state	13,877,685	782,798	14,660,482	19,564,056	1,086,389	20,650,444			-	6,303,850	42,241	6,346,091			- 1	599,207	24,096	623,30
1	8 Out-of-state	1,967,275	2,938,771	4,906,046	3,182,194	6,491,257	9,673,451			-	1,564,588	23,021	1,587,609			-	31,962	16,562	48,524
1	9 Total (Lines 17 +18)	15,844,960	3,721,569	19,566,528	22,746,250	7,577,645	30,323,895	-	-	-	7,868,438	65,263	7,933,701	-	-	-	631,169	40,659	671,828
2	Other In-state	8,674,373	926,898	9,601,271	6,995,826	288,224	7,284,050	1	1	. 1	18,326,149	185,591	18,511,740				1,721,301	33,240	1,754,542
2	1 Out-of-state	1,839,255	4,527,935	6,367,190	1,620,743	6,797,248	8,417,991	†		-	235,599	15,401	251,000			-	82,431	125,542	207,973
2	2 Total (Lines 20 + 21)	10,513,628	5,454,834	15,968,461	8,616,569	7,085,472	15,702,041	-	-	-	18,561,748	200,992	18,762,740	-	-	- 1	1,803,732	158,782	1,962,515
2	3 Total Outpatient Facility (Lines 13 + 16 + 1	156,303,794	66,518,155	222,821,950	171,560,716	106,176,684	277,737,400	-	-	-	75,146,772	720,498	75,867,270	-	-	-	9,846,846	1,261,106	11,107,952
	Primary Care																		
5 2	4 Total Primary Care	29,322,775	2,734,251	32,057,027	30,264,628	2,305,718	32,570,346	1	ı	- 1	11,434,615	117,141	11,551,755			- 1	1,895,448	82,940	1,978,388
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6	Pharmacy	440 400 440	00 707 007	444.044.040	400 400 400	40.740.000	400 005 407				05 000 040	200 700	05 405 040				4 404 074	400 704	4 500 001
2	5 Total Pharmacy	112,126,142	32,787,907	144,914,049	102,193,138	18,742,299	120,935,437			-	35,026,616	398,702	35,425,319			-	1,161,871	430,764	1,592,63
	Medical/Surgical other than primary ca	re																	
7 2	6 In-state	104,727,981	6,778,719	111,506,700	135,117,484	7,882,386	142,999,869	I		- 1	67,301,798	470,670	67,772,468			- 1	15,016,122	486,062	15,502,184
′ 2	7 Out-of-state	22,715,637	60,163,883	82,879,520	22,319,502	99,592,563	121,912,065			-	5,335,495	136,289	5,471,784			1	2,713,785	2,284,864	4,998,649
2	8 Total Other Medical/Surgical (Lines 26 + 2	127,443,618	66,942,602	194,386,220	157,436,986	107,474,949	264,911,934	-	-	-	72,637,293	606,959	73,244,252	-	-	-	17,729,906	2,770,927	20,500,833
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	All other payments to medical provider	re																	
8 2	9 Total		2,606,127	32 802 873	2.789.505	762.374	3,551,880	1,746,906	ı	1,746,906	9,261,941	101.713	9.363.653	12.161.754		12.161.754	1	ı	
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RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All
		-			-	45,034	10,645	55,679			-	257,122	84,858	341,980
		-				80,510	22,428	102,938			-	439,235	170,996	610,231
		-			-	949,031	254,780	1,203,811			-	5,272,405	2,042,126	7,314,531
		-			-	-		-			-	169,964	29,019	198,983
		-			-	-		-			-	296,580	64,572	361,152
		-			-	-		-			-	3,577,528	779,606	4,357,134
		-						28,710,508			101,536,145	- 1	- 1	2,534,328,471
		_			-	18,389,840	5,025,959	23,415,799	94,279,601	_	94,279,601	1,719,173,219	564,482,364	2,283,655,584
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		-			٠			-			-	36,394,906	956,230	37,351,136
		-			-			-			-	420,421	1,720,869	2,141,290
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		-			-			-			-	270,704,234	14,165,547	284,869,781
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		-			-			-			-	1,609,043	48,048	1,657,091
		-			-			-			-	5,117	17,048	22,166
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	Market Exhibit (For Comprehensive/Major												
Field	Medical Line of Business)		Individual			Small Group			Large Group			Association	
1 1	Membership Data	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All
	Number of Polices or Certificates	10,250	76	10,326	27,077	4,650	31,727	34,382	24,084	58,466			
	Number of Covered Lives	15,838	130	15,968	52,640	10,064	62,704	72,488	45,610	118,098			-
1	Member Months	184,960	2,262	187,222	644,308	124,733	769,041	884,995	547,635	1,432,630			-
	Number of Polices or Certificates (Plans with PD benefits)	10,250	76	10,326	27,077	4,650	31,727	31,933	15,930	47,863			-
	Number of Covered Lives (Plans with PD benefits) Member Months (Plans with PD benefits)	15,838	130	15,968	52,640	10,064	62,704	68,927	33,935	102,862			-
	Member Months (Plans with PD benefits)	184,960	2,262	187,222	644,308	124,733	769,041	841,840	407,116	1,248,956			-
	Premiums/Claims												
2	Premium			68,052,926			334,330,036			565,798,736			-
	Claims/Medical Expenses	63,084,584	1,112,834	64,197,418	230,764,685	45,489,854	276,254,540	313,711,299	181,940,990	495,652,289	-	-	-
	Inpatient Facility												
	Hospital												
1	1 In-state	12,416,660	85,394	12,502,053	39,724,967	2,609,660	42,334,626	67,989,166	5,442,181	73,431,347			-
	Out-of-state	5,160,262	365,558	5,525,819	11,391,944	7,347,339	18,739,283	13,074,797	40,474,431	53,549,228			-
	3 Total (Lines 1 + 2) SNF	17,576,921	450,952	18,027,873	51,116,911	9,956,998	61,073,909	81,063,963	45,916,612	126,980,575	-	-	-
	4 In-state	702,554	- 1	702,554	578,107	8,737	586,844	990,498	104,585	1.095.083			_
3	5 Out-of-state	6,839	-	6,839	11,750	42,242	53,993	29,343	474,510	503,853			-
	6 Total (Lines 4 + 5)	709,393	-	709,393	589,858	50,979	640,837	1,019,841	579,095	1,598,936	-	-	-
	Other												
	7 In-state	-	-	-	-	-	-	605	-	605			-
	8 Out-of-state 9 Total (Lines 7 + 8)	-	-	-	-	-	-	- 605	-	605	_		-
	9 Total (Lines 7 + 8) 10 Total Inpatient Facility (Lines 3 + 6 + 9)	18,286,314	450,952	18,737,266	51,706,768	10,007,977	61,714,746	82,084,409	46,495,707	128,580,116	-	-	-
	Total inpution Fueling (Ellips of Fuel of	10,200,011	100,002	10,101,200	01,100,100	10,001,011	01,111,110	02,001,100	10,100,101	120,000,110			
	T												
	Outpatient Facility												
	Hospital 11 In-state	8,360,849	37.894	8.398.743	38,985,571	2,521,020	41,506,591	56.173.714	4.165.308	60,339,022			
	12 Out-of-state	3,284,181	158,608	3,442,788	12,468,833	8,729,282	21,198,115	10,668,799	41,729,297	52,398,095			-
	13 Total (Lines 11 + 12)	11,645,030	196,502	11,841,532	51,454,404	11,250,301	62,704,706	66,842,513	45,894,604	112,737,117	-	-	-
	SNF												
	14 In-state	-	-		845	-	845	2,415	-	2,415			-
	15 Out-of-state	-	-	-	- 045	-	- 045	- 0.445	346	346			-
4	16 Total (Lines 14 + 15) Freestanding Ambulatory Care Facility		-	-	845	-	845	2,415	346	2,761	-	-	-
	17 In-state	994,943	5,367	1,000,310	4,575,455	273,334	4,848,789	8,307,287	504,097	8,811,384			
	18 Out-of-state	122,862	2,218	125,080	569,687	228,204	797,891	1,274,726	2,708,349	3,983,075			-
	19 Total (Lines 17 + 18)	1,117,805	7,585	1,125,389	5,145,142	501,538	5,646,680	9,582,013	3,212,445	12,794,458	-	-	-
	Other												
	20 In-state 21 Out-of-state	1,021,620	2,086 8,144	1,023,707	3,774,939	690,734	4,465,672	3,877,814	234,079	4,111,892			-
	21 Out-of-state 22 Total (Lines 20 + 21)	337,769 1,359,389	10,230	345,912 1,369,619	860,514 4,635,453	658,004 1,348,738	1,518,518 5,984,191	640,972 4,518,785	3,861,787 4,095,866	4,502,759 8,614,651	_	_	-
	23 Total Outpatient Facility (Lines 13 + 16 + 19 + 22)	14,122,223	214,316	14,336,540	61,235,845	13,100,577	74,336,422	80,945,726	53,203,262	134,148,988	-	-	-
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-	Primary Cara												
5	Primary Care 24 Total Primary Care	2,674,360	21,237	2 605 507	11,320,023	954,551	12,274,574	15,328,393	1,758,463	17,086,856			
	27 Total Filmary Care	2,074,300	21,231	۷,050,087	11,020,023	9J4,UU I	12,214,014	10,020,033	1,700,403	17,000,000			-
6	Pharmacy												
-	25 Total Pharmacy	15,004,107	191,531	15,195,638	45,371,410	8,280,904	53,652,314	51,750,626	24,315,471	76,066,097	, and the second second		-
	Medical/Surgical other than primary care												
7	26 In-state	8,561,337	51,252	8,612,589	40,895,450	2,544,966	43,440,416	55,271,194	4,182,501	59,453,695			-
′	27 Out-of-state	3,134,211	157,269	3,291,481	9,509,630	10,129,776	19,639,406	10,071,796	49,876,838	59,948,634			-
	28 Total Other Medical/Surgical (Lines 26 + 27)	11,695,549	208,521	11,904,070	50,405,080	12,674,742	63,079,822	65,342,990	54,059,338	119,402,328	-	-	-
	All other payments to medical providers												
8	29 Total	1,302,031	26,276	1,328 307	10,725,559	471,103	11,196,662	18,259,155	2,108,749	20,367,904			_
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	Trust		Federal E	mployee He	ealth Benefit Plan	Othe	er Health Ma		Tota	al (Across all ma	ırkets)
RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All	RI	Non-RI	All
	1	-	1		-			-	71,709	28,810	100,519
		-			-			-	140,966	55,804	196,770
		-			-			-	1,714,263	674,630	2,388,893
		-			-			-	69,260	20,656	89,916
		-			-			-	137,405	44,129	181,534
		-			-			-	1,671,108	534,111	2,205,219
	1	-			101,536,145		ı	-	-	-	1,069,717,843
		-	94,279,601	-	94,279,601		-	-	701,840,169	228,543,679	930,383,848
		-	ı		- 1			-	120,130,793	8,137,234	128,268,027
		-			-			-	29,627,002	48,187,328	77,814,330
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		-			-		1	-	2,271,159	113,322	2,384,481
		-			-			-	47,933	516,752	564,685
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-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	152,077,492	56,954,636	209,032,128
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		-			-			-	103,520,134 26,421,813	6,724,221 50,617,186	110,244,356 77,038,998
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		-			-			-	3,260	-	3,260
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-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,260	346	3,606
		-			-			-	13,877,685	782,798	14,660,482
		-			-			-	1,967,275	2,938,771	4,906,046
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	1	-	1		-		1	-	8,674,373	926,898	9,601,271
	 	-			-			-	1,839,255	4,527,935	6,367,190
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,513,628	5,454,834	15,968,461
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	156,303,794	66,518,155	222,821,950
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			1						29,322,775	2,734,251	32,057,027
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		-	94,279,601		94,279,601			-	124,566,347	2,606,127	127,172,474
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Rhode Island Individual, Small and Large Group Rate Filing Template Part I

Part 1. Historical Information

Experience Period for Developing OP

2/1/2012 1/31/2013

Utilization/Experience Data by Quarter (Experience Period only)

A. Incurred Data

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													Otherwise		Quality	Other Cost	Other Claim	Other			
				Member					Incurred Claims	Incurred Claims Other			categorized		Improvement	Containment	Adjustment	Operating	Investment		Contribution to
)uarter	End Date	IP Days	Months	Earned Premium	Incurred Claims Total	Incurred Claims IP	Incurred Claims OP	Primary Care	M/S	Incurred Claims Rx	Capitation	(explain)	Loss Ratio	Expense*	Expense*	Expense*	Expense*	Income Credit	Commissions	Reserves
1 1	(Oldest)	4/30/2012	9,737	357,112	\$142,147,370.81	\$126,543,235.98	\$33,784,944.72	\$31,010,832.49	\$4,335,609.09	\$34,543,095.29	\$20,333,229.91	\$0.00	\$2,535,524.48	89.02%	\$1,258,961.51	\$2,706,694.15	\$5,002,919.87	\$14,597,473.04	-\$1,368,810.40	\$2,640,120.51	-\$9,233,223.85
2	2	7/31/2012	9,461	359,008	\$143,140,509.36	\$126,279,601.59	\$33,208,345.96	\$31,050,614.46	\$4,303,391.18	\$34,644,573.37	\$20,405,388.64	\$0.00	\$2,667,287.99	88.22%						\$2,680,104.40	-\$7,828,778.85
3	3	10/31/2012	8,980	357,300	\$142,747,393.56	\$126,846,608.88	\$32,268,273.69	\$31,004,613.84	\$4,584,727.99	\$34,752,417.34	\$21,305,760.99	\$0.00	\$2,930,815.02	88.86%	\$1,195,988.36	\$2,571,305.53	\$4,752,674.23	\$14,252,859.41	-\$1,215,419.68	\$2,406,729.90	-\$8,063,353.06
4	4	1/31/2013	7,101	352,227	\$141,021,336.64	\$117,960,443.61	\$30,978,658.39	\$28,116,858.69	\$4,794,061.28	\$31,314,196.66	\$19,785,070.85	\$0.00	\$2,971,597.73	83.65%	\$1,243,094.17	\$2,672,578.14	\$4,939,861.52	\$13,801,371.39	-\$1,472,359.32	\$2,527,973.49	-\$651,626.37
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^{*} These categories should conform generally to the reporting in the NAIC statement Underwriting & Investment Exhibit Part 3- Analysis of Expenses and/or to the Supplemental Health Care Exhibit, Lines 6.3 and 8.1

B. Allowed Data

											Otherwise				
							Allowed Claims	Allowed Claims Other			categorized				
Quar	ter l	End Date		Allowed Claims Total	Allowed Claims IP	Allowed Claims OP	Primary Care	M/S	Allowed Claims Rx	Capitation	(explain)				
1 1 (Old	est)	4/30/2012		\$152,724,697.49	\$36,203,074.64	\$37,165,376.00	\$5,288,372.09	\$45,787,339.19	\$25,745,011.08	\$0.00	\$2,535,524.48				
2 2		7/31/2012		\$149,538,159.68	\$35,604,752.30	\$36,262,751.63	\$5,148,630.67	\$44,449,200.44	\$25,405,536.65	\$0.00	\$2,667,287.99				
3 3		10/31/2012		\$148,537,514.84	\$34,414,682.21	\$36,217,506.17	\$5,380,608.44	\$43,663,548.54	\$25,930,354.46	\$0.00	\$2,930,815.02				
4 4		1/31/2013		\$141,342,718.77	\$33,270,390.40	\$33,577,077.01	\$5,771,857.60	\$41,197,544.24	\$24,554,251.77	\$0.00	\$2,971,597.73				
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Claims not

Part 2. Prospective Information

Total
Price Only
Utilization
Mix
Leveraging
NBF

A. Trend Factors for Projection Purposes (Annualized)

						Claims not	
IP	OP	Primary Care	Other M/S	Rx	Capitation	Categorized	Weighted Total
9.5%	9.2%	13.7%	5.8%	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	6.9%
3.8%	4.0%	9.9%	2.3%	5.6%	0.0%	0.0%	3.9%
3.0%	4.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.9%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%
1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%
0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-7.6%	0.0%	0.0%	-1.3%
23.6%	24.2%	3.6%	29.6%	17.2%	0.0%	1.9%	100.0%

^{**} All elements should add or compound to the total. If anything is to be reported as "Other" please provide a description.

B. The following items for the period to which the rate filing applies, by quarter:

			Expected								
		Average %	Pure			Other Cost	Other Claim				
	Beginning	Rate	Medical	Expected Contribution to	Quality Improvement	Containment Expense	Adjustment Expense	Other Operating	Average	Investment Income	Premium Tax
Quarter	Date	Increase	Cost Ratio	Reserves %	Expense %*	%*	%*	Expense %*	Commissions%*	Credit %	<u>%</u>
1	3/31/2014	17.7%	80.80%	3.34%	0.45%	0.97%	1.80%	5.25%	0.95%	-0.24%	6.68%
2	6/30/2014	17.6%	79.49%	3.34%	0.51%	1.09%	2.02%	6.01%	1.09%	-0.24%	6.68%
3	9/30/2014	15.7%	79.01%	3.34%	0.53%	1.14%	2.12%	6.34%	1.07%	-0.24%	6.68%
4	12/31/2014	14.8%	79.01%	3.34%	0.55%	1.19%	2.20%	6.14%	1.13%	-0.24%	6.68%
Weighter	d Average	17.1%	80.15%	3.34%	0.48%	1.04%	1.92%	5.62%	1.00%	-0.24%	6.68%

^{*} These categories should conform generally to the reporting in the NAIC statement Underwriting & Investment Exhibit Part 3 - Analysis of Expenses and to the Supplemental Health Care Exhibit, Lines 6.3 and 8.1 The sum of the expenses, commissions, contributions to reserves, investment income credit, taxes and the medical loss ratio should be 100%.

C. Average Rate Increase Components

The following items should reconcile to the Weighted Average Percent Rate Increase for the year:

	Price	Utilization, Mix	Total
Hospital Inpatient Price	1.4%	1.2%	2.6%
Hospital Outpatient	1.3%	1.3%	2.6%
Primary Care	0.3%	0.1%	0.4%
Med/Surg Other Than Primary Care	1.5%	1.7%	3.2%
Pharmacy	1.3%	0.6%	1.9%
Administrative Expense (Aggregated)			0.8%
Contribution to Reserves			0.7%
Taxes and Assessments			4.9%
Legally Mandated Changes			
Prior Period Adjustment (+/-)			
Total			17.1%

^{*} These categories should conform generally to the reporting in the NAIC statement Underwriting & Investment Exhibit Part 3- Analysis of Expenses and/or to the Supplemental Health Care Exhibit, Lines 6.3 and 8.1

Rate Template Part IV: Administrative Costs Request

1. Please provide 2012 Actual and 2014 proposed individual, small and large group administrative costs on a per member per month (PMPM) basis, allocated among the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) financial statement administrative cost categories. Please explain any significant changes from the financial filing for 2012 (increases/decreases of more than 5% in a particular category).

		2012 Actual		2014 Proposed			% Change		
	Individual	Small Group	Large Group	Individual	Small Group	Large Group	Individual	Small Group	Large Group
otal Estimated Member Months	188,396	772,297	1,424,343	405,387	633,642	1,395,609	115.2%	-18.0%	-2.0%
Total Estimated Premiums (\$pmpm)	\$361.22	\$432.90	\$397.21	\$363.56	\$462.74	\$419.56	0.6%	6.9%	5.6%
otal General Administrative Expense (\$pmpm)	\$44.37	\$56.10	\$44.43	\$37.25	\$46.97	\$41.20	-16.1%	-16.3%	-7.3%
Total Cost Containment Expense (\$pmpm)	\$9.30	\$9.52	\$8.56	\$7.18	\$8.84	\$6.97	-22.8%	-7.1%	-18.5%
Total Other Claim Adjustment Expense (\$pmpm)	\$9.77	\$16.64	\$17.48	\$7.62	\$10.29	\$12.81	-22.0%	-38.2%	-26.7%
Total Admin Expense (\$pmpm)	\$63.44	\$82.25	\$70.46	\$52.05	\$66.10	\$60.98	-18.0%	-19.6%	-13.5%
Breakdown of General Administrative Expense (\$ pmpm)									
a. Payroll and benefits	\$16.55	\$23.96	\$15.37	\$14.59	\$17.33	\$14.46	-11.8%	-27.7%	-6.0%
 b. Outsourced Services (EDP, claims etc.) 	\$6.48	\$10.93	\$10.62	\$6.00	\$7.90	\$9.63	-7.4%	-27.7%	-9.4%
 c. Auditing and consulting 	\$4.33	\$5.46	\$3.71	\$2.67	\$3.95	\$3.44	-38.2%	-27.7%	-7.4%
d. Commissions	\$0.00	\$8.76	\$7.20	\$0.00	\$9.19	\$7.28	0.0%	5.0%	1.1%
e. Marketing and Advertising	\$0.54	\$0.54	\$0.57	\$0.93	\$0.39	\$0.48	71.8%	-27.7%	-16.9%
f. Legal Expenses	\$0.49	\$0.53	\$0.49	\$0.29	\$0.39	\$0.41	-40.5%	-27.7%	-17.2%
g. Taxes, Licenses and Fees	\$6.78	\$7.57	\$8.25	\$7.27	\$9.25	\$8.39	7.3%	22.3%	1.7%
h. Reimbursements by Uninsured Plans	\$0.00	(\$12.00)	(\$9.76)	\$0.00	(\$8.92)	(\$9.45)	0.0%	-25.7%	-3.2%
i. Other Admin Expenses	\$9.20	\$10.34	\$7.96	\$5.48	\$7.48	\$6.57	-40.4%	-27.7%	-17.5%
<u> </u>	·	Projected	Expenses	\$52.05	\$66.10	\$60.98			· ·
		Premi	ium Taxes	(\$7.27)	(\$9.25)	(\$8.39)]		
		R	x Rebates	(\$3.98)	(\$3.76)	(\$3.76)			
		Investme	nt Income	(\$1.64)	(\$1.02)	(\$1.01)			
Total	Proposed Charge for	Administrative I	Expenses	\$39.16	\$52.07	\$47.82	1		

^{*}BCBSRI is awaiting NAIC guidance as to where to categorize all of the ACA-related taxes and fees. Therefore they are excluded from the operating expenses shown above. See actuarial memorandum for details on ACA-related taxes and fees.

2. Please provide actual 2008-2012 fully insured commercial administrative costs in accordance with the following table. This should be consistent with the annual statement filings to OHIC for administrative costs, providing additional detail on the components of administrative costs using the categories defined by the NAIC financial statement and as allocated to commercially insured business only. Specifically, the information provided should agree with the "Exhibit of Premiums, Enrollment and Utilization" and the "Analysis of Operations by Line of Business" schedules included in the annual statements on file with OHIC, Where there are variances, a reconciliation and explanation should be provided.

Fully Insured Commercial Administ	rative Cost Hist	ory (Compreher	sive Column)		
			0010		2212
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total Premiums	1,079,151,863	1,025,508,205	994,470,562	984,903,252	968,153,344
Total General Administrative Expense	121,463,184	132,106,574	133,474,919	121,420,201	114,963,600
General Admin Exp. Ratio	11.26%	12.88%	13.42%	12.33%	11.87%
Total Fully Insured Member Months	3,049,827	2,775,423	2,603,304	2,468,947	2,385,036
General Administrative Expense (\$pmpm)	\$39.83	\$47.60	\$51.27	\$49.18	\$48.20
Breakdown of General Administrative Expenses (\$ pmpm)				1	
a. Payroll and benefits	\$17.40	\$21.04	\$18.84	\$19.82	\$18.25
 b. Outsourced Services (EDP, claims etc.) 	\$8.93	\$8.62	\$12.13	\$10.75	\$10.39
c. Auditing and consulting	\$5.75	\$6.38	\$6.18	\$4.55	\$4.33
d. Commissions	\$6.06	\$6.78	\$6.96	\$7.21	\$7.14
e. Marketing and Advertising	\$0.99	\$0.89	\$0.72	\$0.76	\$0.56
f. Legal Expenses	\$0.33	\$0.25	\$0.32	\$0.40	\$0.51
g. Taxes, Licenses and Fees	\$3.68	\$7.49	\$7.79	\$8.28	\$7.91
h. Reimbursements by Uninsured Plans	(\$12.49)	(\$10.76)	(\$11.78)	(\$11.59)	(\$9.71)
i. Other Admin Expenses	\$9.18	\$6.90	\$10.11	\$8.98	\$8.83
Cost Containment Expense	\$4.30	\$5.73	\$7.58	\$7.82	\$8.93
Other Claim Adjustment Expense	\$13.38	\$18.19	\$17.42	\$20.04	\$16.60
Total Self Insured Member Months for all affiliated companies doing business in RI	2,677,918	2.449.361	2.625.170	2.641.700	2.645.242

SERFF Tracking #: BCBS-129031444 State Tracking #: Company Tracking #: LG-2015-05

State: Rhode Island Filing Company:

TOI/Sub-TOI: H15G Group Health - Hospital/Surgical/Medical Expense/H15G.002 Large Group Only

Product Name:Commercial Large GroupProject Name/Number:Large Group/LG-2013-05

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island

Supporting Document Schedules

SERFF Tracking #:	BCBS-129031444	State Tracking #:	Compan	y Tracking #:	LG-2015-05
State:	Rhode Island		0 , ,	Blue Cross & Blue S	Shield of Rhode Island
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Product Name:	Commercial La	•			
Project Name/Number:	Large Group/L	G-2013-05			
Bypass Reason:		See Rate/Rule Schedules for supporting	documentation		
Attachment(s):					
tem Status:					
Status Date:					
Bypassed - Item:		Unified Rate Review Template			
Bypass Reason:		See Rate/Rule Schedules for supporting	documentation		
Attachment(s):					
tem Status:					
Status Date:					
Bypassed - Item:		Consumer Disclosure Form			
Bypass Reason:		See Rate/Rule Schedules for supporting of	documentation		
Attachment(s):					
tem Status:					
Status Date:					
Bypassed - Item:		2013 Rate Review Process Issuer and Plant	an Compliance Attestation		
Bypass Reason:		See Rate/Rule Schedules for supporting	documentation		
Attachment(s):					
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Status Date:					
Bypassed - Item:		2013 Rate Review Process OHIC Templa	ate		
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